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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT CLOSES RADIOSTATIONS

REF: MANAGUA A-11

1. THE GON'S OFFICE OF RADIO AND TV CLOSED DOWN RADIO MI PREFERIDA ON FEB 27 AND RADIO MUNDIAL ON FEB 28 AT THE REQUEST OF A MANAGUA POLICE JUDGE. THE GON DESCRIBED THE CLOSINGS AS PRECAUTIONARY AND BASED ON ARTICLE 61 OF THE RADIO AND TV CODE, WHICH PERMITS THE AUTHORITIES IN CASE OF DISTURBANCES OF PUBLIC ORDER TO "PRESENT THEMSELVES IN THE RADIO STATIONS IF NECESSARY TO PREVENT VIOLATIONS OF THIS LAW." RADIO M PREFERIDA HAS FOLLOWED AN OUTSPOKEN ANTI-GON LINE AND HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY FINED FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE RADIO AND TV CODE (REFAIR). RADIO MUNDIAL WAS CLOSED REPORTEDLY FOR TRANSMITTING UNSUBSTANTIATED, SENSATIONALISTIC REPORTS OF ATROCITIES BY GN TROOPS IN MONIMBO.

2. THE CLOSING DOWN OF RADIO MI PREFERIDA AND RADIO MUNDIAL ELICITED
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STRONG CRITICISM BY OPPOSITION AND INDEPENDENT JOURNALISTS. LA PRENSA DENOUNCED THE CLOSINGS AS "AN ESCALATION OF REPRESSION" AND DENIED THAT THE GON'S ACTIONS HAD ANY LEGAL BASIS. RADIO CATOLICA, THE CHURCH'S OFFICIAL RADIO STATION, DEPLORED THE CLOSINGS.
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